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Rogestvensky Not to Tax France Further.

USE FOR PORTS

BELIEVED THAT RUSSIAN SQUAD-RONS ARE NEAR EACH OTHER.

Jointure Not Effected Possibly Due to

Accident-Indo-China Notes.

Special Dispatch to The Star. LONDON, May 15 .- The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette says it is believed at the Russian admiralty that the squadrons of Admirals Rojestvensky and Niegobatoff are in communication but that they have not yet effected a junction, possibly owing to an accident on board one of Niebogatoff's ships.

The admiralty feels assured that, as Rojestvensky now has all the stores he can need, he cannot compromise France in the future by using her ports.

CHINESE OFFICIALS ALERT.

Cruisers Dispatched to Enforce Neutrality-Watching the Fleet. HONGKONG, May 15 .- A correspondent

telegraphing from Hoihow May 13, via Haiphong, says he interviewed Weihan, director of the Whampoa Naval School, whom the Chinese government dispatched to the Island of Hainan to inquire into the reported presence of the Russian fleet in those waters. He accompanied the commander of the Chinese cruiser Hsing Hang.

He said that the crufser Kwang Yu had been dispatched to the southern coast of Hainan to watch Yulin Kan and other bays, and that the gunboat Foops, which arrived here May 12, would sail on Sunday to watch the northeast coast of the island. Competent men have been stationed in the various districts to report events imme

Weihan had no news of the Russian fleet, but was of the opinion that it would pass Hainan coast, as neither coal nor provis-ions could be had there.

Ships Off Gaya Isle, Borneo. Special Dispatch to The Star. HONGKONG, May 15.-The steamship

Sanda Kan, which arrived from Borneo today, reports that the governor of British Borneo was informed May 9 that five battleships were anchored off Gaya island, which is on the northwest coast.

No Ships Near Hainan Island A correspondent at Hainan, having re

turned from a trip around the island telegraphs that on Saturday there were no Russian ships in Leaongsoe, Gealong or Kulinkan bays. Nothing Russian has been reported in that quarter since May 1.

Russian Fourth Squadron Reported Special Dispatch to The Star.

COPENHAGEN, May 15 .- The Danish authorities have been notified that the Russian fourth Baltic squadron will pass through Danish waters on its way to the far east in the course of a week or two.

Russian Fleet in Hon Koe Bay. TOKYO, May 15, 2 p.m.-It is definitely

known that Rear Admiral Rojestvensky, after temporarily leaving Hon Koe bay on May 8, re-entered the bay and continues

Thirteen Warships Sighted.

SINGAPORE, Straits Settlements, May 15.-Thirteen Russian warships were sighted May 12 off Cape Varella, about fifty miles north of Kamranh bay, by the steamer Jason, which arrived here today.

British Steamer Confiscated. NAGASAKI, May 15, 4 p.m.-The naval

prize court at Sasebo has confiscated the British steamer Sylviana. The Sylviana, a vessel of 4,187 tons, was captured on February 20 last bound for

Vladivostok with Cardiff coal on board.

The place of her capture was not reported Embargo on Coal to Saigon.

TOKYO, May 15, noon.-The government has prohibited the exportation of coal to Saigon. The embargo is to continue so

long as the Russian fleet is in Indo-Chinese

Scrutinizing Coal Permits. SHANGHAI, May 15 .- The customs officlais here now carefully scrutinize all applications for permits to export coal.

NAVAL FIGHT EXPECTED. Big Vessels May Get Together in a

Few Days. ST. PETERSBURG, May 15, 5:30 p.m.-A naval action within a few days is regarded as likely within well-informed naval circles. The Associated Press learns that Admiral Rojestvensky and Rear Admiral Nebagotoff joined forces May 10. No delay was necessary for the purpose of coaling or cleaning Nebogatoff's ships, as his division made a stop for this purpose before entering the

Straist of Malacca. Upon the strength of an untraceable rumor an evening paper here announced that a naval battle had commenced, but the admiralty has no confirmation of the report

MYSTERY IN A DEATH. Paterson, N. J., Police Trying to Solve

PATERSON, N. J., May 15. - The police have a mystery to solve in the death of Michael V.ola, an Italian twenty-one years of age, who was found lying dead in his bed this morning with a bullet through his heart. The police have been unable to learn whether the dead man was a suicide or was murdered. They lean to the latter theory, and the younger brother, Pasquale Viola, who lives at the same address, 30 Passaic street, was placed under arrest and

is now in jail. was found by his mother at 10 o'clock this morning, and she alarmed the neighborhood. Volla was undressed and lay on bed as though he had been sleeping The shirt he wore was burned from the powder and the flames had evi-dently been put out with the bed clothes. A search was made for the revolver, but it could not be found. The brother, Pasquale lay on the floor meaning, but it was noticed that he did not shed any tears. The revolver was subsequently found in a coat which was hanging on the wall behind a white cloth. The police believe that it was impossible for Viola to shoot him-

REORGANIZATION OF MUTUAL IZATION COMMITTEE LIKELY.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

NEW YORK, May 15.-Cross purpose and dissension in the policy holders' com mittee of the Equitable Life Assurance Society have brought the efforts of this committee on the matter of mutualization to such a pass that reorganization of its personnel is expected in a few days.

A meeting to decide upon this was pro posed today, and several members of the committee said that until the reorganization is effected no definite work can be accomplished. At the head of the committee are John D. Crimmins and Lawyer Frank H. Platt.

Inquiry Resumed Wednesday.

By Associated Press NEW YORK, May 15.-It was stated at he office of the state superintendent of insurance in this city today that Mr. Hendricks is not expected to be in New York until tomorrow to resume his investigations of the Equitable Life Assurance Society. At the office of the Equitable Society it was said that Mr. Hendricks was not expected to take up the inquiry again before Wed-

HELD FINAL MEETING.

Canal Commissioners Lunched With President Prior to Departure.

The executive of the isthmian canal com. mission held today what will be its last meeting in Washington for many months preparatory to leaving for the isthmus. Only routine business was transacted, Chairman Shonts being authorized to give the committee's approval to the arrangements already made for the maintenance of parity of the Panama coin in the canal zone and for the uniformity of exchange with

New York. Accompanied by Secretary Taft, Chairman Shonts, Chief Engineer Wallace and Governor Magoon called at the White House at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon by invita-tion to lunch with the President and to discuss their forthcoming visit to the isthmus. They will leave Washington at midnight for New York to attend the meeting of the Panama railroad directors tomorrow, and will sail on the following day on the Se-gurancia for Colon.

To Examine West Point Cadets.

A board of medical officers, consisting of Maj. Charles F. Mason, surgeon; First Lieut. Thomas L. Rhoads, surgeon, and First Lieut. George M. Ekwurzel, assistant surgeon, has been appointed to meet at West Point, N. Y., on the 1st of next month, for the physical examination of the cadets of the graduating class at the Military Academy. The board will also examine such other cadets and candidates for admission to the academy as may be ordered be-

Personal Mention.

Mr. Fred N. Whaley, who is a delegate to the Traveling Men's Protective Association convention at Savannah, leaves today to attend the gathering. After the work of the convention is over the delegates expect to trip to Cuba as the guests of the city of Savannah.

Right to War Service Insignia. Col. H. P. McCain of the military secre-

tary's department has informed the commanding general, Department of the East, that "the term service in war, as used in the uniform regulations, relates to service as an officer or enlisted man in the military establishment and does not attach to the status of a civil employe, like a contract or dental surgeon, whose services are secured by contract. While, therefore, a contract surgeon might wear the war service insignia for previous service rendered as an officer or enlisted man, such in signia could not be worn on account of service rendered as a contract surgeon. even though he afterward became a member of the regular establishment."

Assigned to the Coast Squadron.

The announcement was made at the Navy Department today that the cruisers Newark and Atlanta and the training ship Hartford have been assigned to the coast squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Dickens. This will make available three more vessels for the joint army and navy maneuvers in Chesapeake bay.

Medals for Bravery Recommended.

The Secretary of War has suggested to the Secretary of the Treasury the award of life saving medals to Thomas Richards, Charles White and Thomas Thompson, all of St. Michael, Alaska, for bravery in rescuing Capt. Polte and two Indians who were caught in an ice drift and carried out to sea last February. The incident was reported to the War Depart-ment by the commanding officer of Fort St. Michael, Alaska, with the recomme for the award of life saving medals.

Admiral Dewey Better.

The condition of Admiral Dewey, who was taken ill Saturday in New York and who returned to his home in this city yesterday, is reported today to be better.

Secretary Morton on a Cruise.

Secretary Morton, accompanied by Mrs. Morton and a party of friends, is on a cruise down the Potomac on the United States ship Dolphin. The Secretary is expected back in the morning.

To Be Examined for Promotion. Second Lieut, William H. Reaves, Artillery Corps. has been ordered to Fort Mon-roe, Va., for examination for promotion.

Movements of Naval Vessels.

The Triton has lept Hampton Roads for Washington, the Stewart has left Pensaco's for Norfolk and the Potomac has left Guantanamo for Pensacola.

The Cincinnati and El Cano have arrived at Cavite, the Leonidas at Monte Christi, the Minneapolis at New London, the Rocket at Washington, the Yankee at Key West, the Arkansas at Annapolis and the Caesa

Wrestler Threatened With Fever. Special Dispatch to The Star.

ST. LOUIS, May 15.-George Hackenschmidt, wrestling champion of the world is threatened with typhold. He has canceled his exhibitions for Boston and Mon-treal and left for New York this morning.

Hopes for Jockey Fuller's Recovery. NEW YORK, May 15 .- At St. Mary's Hospital, Jamaica, L. I., today it was said that Grover Cleveland Fuller, the jockey who fell from his horse in a mix-up on the opening day at the Jamaica track, was doing well and that unless some unforseen complications should arise his recovery was

THE EQUITABLE CASE TO TRY TO HALT STRIKE

Important Meeting of Chicago Council Tonight.

WORKMEN TO CONFER

ATTORNEYS FOR EMPLOYERS WORKING HARD FOR POINTERS.

Assault Feature of Trouble Believed to Be Work of Regular Violence Committees.

Whilst there is a movement in Chicago today to halt, if possible, an extension of the strike, International President Shea's utterances today contained no note indicating a purpose to surrender.

"The papers say we are weakening," he said, "but I want to say that if any teamster comes into the meeting tonight and advocates surrender I will not answer for him."

"Are you going to take any further legal proceedings in the prosecution of the strike?" he was asked.

"Legal proceedings!" he exclaimed in apparent disgust. "We will leave that to the employers. They have an injunction, but injunctions do not drive wagons. We shall not resort to legal proceedings. The strike will be won by the strength of the teamsters' organiza-

President Shea is said to have reguested President Gompers to call for a meeting of the executive board of the American Federation of Labor here to advise regarding the teamsters' strike.

CHICAGO, May 15 .- Possible signs of the end of the teamsters' strike began to grow today. President Shea of the teamsters' union sent a telegram to Pres:dent Gompers of the American Federation of Labor requesting a meeting of the national board of that body to be held in Chicago at the end of the week. The report was also confirmed that President Shea had telegraphed the national officers of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters to come to Chicago forthwith. The teamsters' executive board will be in session about Wednesday or Thursday. Some of the members are already here. One of them. Vice President Casey, is en route

from San Francisco. The move toward br bringing the national board of the American Federation of Labor together was viewed by the team owners who through their various associations have been striving to bring about a conciliation between the strikers and their employers, and by labor officials generally, as important in the direction of a settlement. This may possibly take the form of the calling off of the strike. The telegram to President Gompers asked that he call a meeting to be held in Chicago not later than Saturday.

The following are the executives of the National Central Labor body of America. Samuel Gompers, president; James Duncan, John Mitchell, James O'Connell, Max Morris, Thomas I. Kidd, Dennis A. Hayes, Daniel J. Keefe, William J. Spencer, vice presidents; J. B. Lennon, treasurer; Frank Morrison, secretary.

CHICAGO, May 15.-Influences in the teamsters' joint council, at work to halt a general strike movement, including all drivers in hicago, are expected to bear fruit at a meeting of the council tonight, and avert a new and greater industrial up-

heaval here. Rumors that the executive board of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters would meet in Chicago tomorrow and action of ice-wagon drivers in accepting the wage schedule of last year, coupled with reports that dozens of strikers have applied for their old positions at the department stores sustain a belief among the employers that the end of the strike is not far distant.

A meeting of the joint liverymen's association is called to consider action in relation to a threatened strike of 2,000 cab drivers, who refuse to take their passengers to stores under the union bap. cab drivers' situation is in a balance, as the men say they will not withdraw from the position taken when the ultimatum was delivered.

The liverymen say they will not withdraw the ultimatum. The result depends upon the determination of the teamsters' joint council tonight.

Alleged Slugging Feature.

Before Master in Chancery Sherman hearing of the federal injunction cases continued today, attorneys for the employers working hard to obtain light on the alleged "slugging" feature of the strike, to show that the "violence committees" exist for every union during times of strikes, and that men are trained for "slugging" work, and employed exclusively for that purpose. It was declared today that if the union men called as witnesses continued

in refusal to answer question orders citing for contempt would surely follow. Nine Injured in Patrol Wagon Collision Response to a riot call from policemen who were unable to cope with a mob of strike sympathizers last night, a patrol wagon hurrying at full speed to the scene collided with a crowded street car, serious-

Regardless of the victims of the wreck, the assallants of a detective and non-union workman, whose actions had caused the appeal for police protection, continued their attack until calls brought a score of policemen, who were compelled to fight their way through the mob attracted by the wreck riot. The policemen used their clubs vigorously and arrested fifteen men who were seen throwing stones or threatening non-union men.

Many Threatening Letters.

Fully one hundred letters threatening death have been received by the half dozen men who have been given wide publicity as managers of the employers' end of the teamsters' strike. Serious consideration is being given the letters since exposures made by a confession of a hired thug that he and others made a business of slugging here at the rate of \$15 per person siugged. Bodyguards are now attending all the principals on the employers' side of the teamsters' strike, and all are accompanied

day and night by guards. Secretary F. W. Job of the Employers' Association and Robert J. Thorne of Montgomery Ward & Co. admitted today having received many

Talk of State Troops. Mayor Dunne, for the first time during the teamsters' strike made the definite declaration today that a call for state troops

would promptly follow a spread of the strike, accompanied by violence. Riot Among School Boys.

A small-sized riot among the boys of the Carpenter public school today was quelied by the police. Rocco di Solvia, a teamster, was arrested charged with inciting the riot. For days there have been rumors that if non-union teamsters attempted to deliver coal to the school there would be trouble, Today a number of the boys from the Washington public school, together with others from the Carpenter, gathered and tried to start a "strike." A riot call was

turned in and the mob was dispersed. The danger of a flour famine in Chicago, resultant from the stoppage of deliveries to retail and wholesale grocers, became more serious today, according to officials of the Wenig Teaming Company, whose teams have been tied up for a week. Many of the retail groceries throughout the city, as well as the big wholesale houses are reported entirely out of flour.

Accused of Murder Accessory.

Charles Casey, business agent of the Carriage and Wagonmakers' Union, No. 4, ascused of being an accessory to the murder of Chas, J. Carlstrom, who, it is alleged, was brutally beaten to death by alleged hired thugs, waived examination today and was held to the criminal court without bail. The examination of Casey's four companions in the alleged plot was continued till May 25. With one exception the bonds of

these men were fixed at \$17,000.

The bonds of Henry J. Neuman, financial secretary of Carriage and Wagonmakers' Union, No. 4, who was arrested at the same time as Casey, were fixed at \$25,000. Unable to furnish the necessary bonds the men were returned to jail.

The police are centering their efforts to day toward the capture of George Maller ex-president of the union. Maller, according to the police, took an active part in the plans for what is declared to have been a systematic "slugging crusade" against non-

GEN. CORBIN'S CRITICISM.

Declares That Lieut. Grimm Should

Have Been Sentenced to Dismissal. First Lieut. Otto B. Grimm, Signal Corps, was recently tried by court-martial at Manila on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman and of conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. Under the first charge it was specified that Lieutenant Grimm misappropriated 1,248 pesos belonging to the Philippine government intrusted to him to pay certain laborers and employes, and also that

he misappropriated 775 pesos.

Under the second charge it was specified that he embezzled 2,022 pesos belonging to the Philippine government. He was found not guilty of the first charge and the specifications thereunder, but gullty of the second charge, and also gullty of the specifica-tion under that charge, except the words unlawfully, fraudulently and wrongfully embezzled and convert to his own use and benefit," substituting therefor "through enefit," substituting therefor "through neglect fall to properly keep and account for," and of the substituted words he was

The court sentenced Lieutenant Grimm suspended from promotion to the grade of captain for five years from the date on which he would otherwise be en-

titled to such promotion. Philippine division, approved the sentence with rejuctance. "The sentence is not deemed at all commensurate with the offense," said General Corbin, "but without its approval the accused would escape all legal punishment for his wrongdoing, though long after the bar to his promotion of the debauch which by his own testimony was the occasion of his unfaithfulness to

the trust placed in him. "The court has evidently given too much importance to the fact that Lieutenant Grimm was assigned to duty after the fact of his offending was known, also to the 'in-tent' of the accused. Neither fact should have had any great weight. The testimony tion from the service for the good of the service. Officers of the army should be sober, clean, honest and frugal. The rerequirements is an injury to the service, one that all good people resent, and to which, happily, the great body of officers are fully

"Lieutenant Grimm is released from ar rest, and will report to the chief signal officer of the division for assignment to duty.

KOCH JURY DISCHARGED.

Failed to Convict Him of the Gebhardt Murder.

MANKATO, Minn., May 15.—The jury be-fore whom Dr. G. R. Koch a dentist, was tried on the charge of murdering Dr. L. A. Gebhardt reported to Judge Cray today that it was unable to agree. Judge Cray sent the jury back for further deliberation After two hours the jury was again called into court. Upon the foreman's announce-ment that no verdict could be agreed upon Judge Cray discharged the jury This is the second disagreement in this case.

NAVAL WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

Branch Society Organized at Portsmouth, Va.-Officers Elected. Special Dispatch to The Star.

PORTSMOUTH, Va., May 15.-The Naval Relief Society, recently organized and chartered under the laws of the District of Columbia for the purpose of undertaking the important work of relief Concluding Day of Convention to the widows and orphans of deceased officers, sailors and marines in the American navy, is shortly to have an auxiliary

in this city.

Mrs. Albion V. Wadhams, wife of Capt.

Wadhams, U. S. N., executive officer of
the Norfolk navy yard, is actively engaged
in promoting the local auxiliary. "The
Virginia Auxiliary" has been selected as
the name of the local branch, the officers of which have been elected as follows: Mrs. T. S. O'Leary, secretary; Mrs. Den-nis H. Mahan, treasurer; Mrs. Littleton W. T. Waller and Mrs. Purnell F. Harrington compose the executive committee, the lat-ter being the wife of the commandant of the Norfolk yard.

Preliminary plans in connection with the organization of the auxiliary are being taken up and everything promises a bright future and much good work by the local Mr. Jarvis B. Edson, a prominent New

Mr. Jarvis B. Edson, a prominent New York millionaire and owner of the pleasure yacht Viking, has acknowledged his in-terest in the new society by inclosing checks for two life memberships to Mrs. Wires Out of Norfolk Down.

Special Dispatch to The Star. NORFOLK, Va., May 15.-All sea coast

elegraph wires out from Norfolk today are down as the result of the severe storm last night, which unroofed coast cottages and

Southern Grocers' to Meet at Norfolk. NORFOLK, Va., May 15.—The Norfolk board of trade was today officially notified that the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association will meet in this city June 19, 20 and 21, in annual convention. This will bring some 500 people to Norfolk.

Mr. Loomis Received Nothing From the Asphalt Co.

REPORT TO PRESIDENT

RESULT OF SECRETARY TAFT'S INVESTIGATION.

Mr. Bowen Calls at the White House and is Directed to Confer With Mr. Taft.

Secretary Taft has reported to President Roosevelt that there is absolutely nothing in the charge that Assistant Secretary Loomis accepted \$10,000 or any other sum of money from the asphalt trust while he was serving as United States minister in Venezuela. The investigation made has resulted in fully sustaining the statement of Mr. Loomis that his only financial dealing that could lead to such a charge was when he secured \$5,000 in exchange at one time from the asphalt people. To secure this exchange he deposited Venezuelan money in the usual way and received from the company a check on New York, which he cashed. The only reason he went to the company for the draft was because there was no American bank in Caracas.

The President had a talk this morning with Herbert W. Bowen, the retiring minister to Venezuela, received his explanation of the charges and his reasons for making them, and directed that he confer with Secretary Taft. Mr. Bowen went from the White House to the War Department, where he remained twenty minutes with Secretary Taft. When he went away from the White House he declined to say any-thing, but it was known at the time that the President was fully satisfied that there was no good ground for any reflection upon

Mr. Loomis' Charges.

Secretary Taft handed Mr. Bowen a copy of the charges which Mr. Loomis, the assistant secretary of state, has filed, alleging that the retiring minister at Caracas had inspired the publication of charges against him, and also a copy of Mr. Loomis' reply to charges which Mr. Bowen, in his official capacity as minister at Caracas, felt it his duty to forward to the Washington government as matters of information. Mr. Bowen took the papers to his hotel and will prepare a supplementary statement of his side of the case.

to assist Mr. Bowen in the preparation of day. He refuses to discuss the matter in

any way whatsoever beyond saying that his mission to Washington is in obedience

to instructions received some time ago and

The Secretary also detailed a stenographer

that he awaits the pleasure of the Presi-It is understood to be the determination of the administration that the inquiry shall be brief, thorough and final.

Mr. Bowen's Position.

It is believed that Mr. Bowen has taken the position that he has not made any charges against Mr. Loomis, and that he has simply reported to the State Department rumors that he heard repeated through Caracas and other Venezuelan cities and towns. He considered it his duty to file a report of these stories, so that the government could do as it considered best. It is current opinion that Mr. Bowen will standing in the diplomatic service of the government. Unless he can convince Secretary Taft and the President that he has acted as he considered his duty, even if erroneously, he will not be reappointed to a position in the diplomatic service and will drift into private life. The situation is such that the chances are pretty strong that Mr. Bowen will be unable to satisfy the

acted impartially and impersonally. Mr. Bowen, accompanied by Mrs. reached Washington yesterday from New York. Mr. Bowen, after leaving his baggage at the Arlington Hotel, went at once to the White House and left his card for the President. He spent the evening quiet-

BASE BALL MEN RELEASED.

Charges Against Them for Sunday Ball Playing Dismissed.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

NEW YORK, May 15 .- Louis Ritter, eatcher, and Malcolm W. Eason, pitcher, of the National League Brooklyn team, were discharged today by Magistrate Dooley in the Adams street court, Brooklyn. Both men were arrested three weeks ago at Washington Park for playing ball on Sunday during a contest open to the public. Magistrate Dooley said in discharging the men: "I am following the decision of the court of special sessions, which ruled a year ago that the men were not violating

the law in a similar case. I feel bound to accept the superior court's judgment.' SOUTHERN BAPTISTS.

Kansas City-Lively Debate.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., aMy 15 .- On this the concluding day of the Southern Baptist convention, the most interesting feature of the program was the report of the home mission board.

Tomorrow most of the delegates will be in St. Louis, where they will attend a joint session of the Northern Baptist convention and the Southern Baptist convention, the first joint gathering of these two bodies

The convention after a lively debate decided today against a change in name. Judge J. D. Miller of Georgia, chairman of the committee appointed at the Nashville convention last year to bring the matter up, presented a report against a modification of the name of the convention, and after much discussion the report finally was adopted and the committee discharged.

A committee on Sabbath observances a committee on Sabbath observances reported deploring the popular tendency increasing, it is said, toward open disregard for Sunday and Sunday laws. The report, which was adopted immediately and with out comment, recommended the appointment of a special committee, to report to the convention one year hence with suggestions for closer and better Sabath ob-

The report of the committee on nomina-tions announcing changes in the officers of the mission and Sunday school boards was

The report as adopted made the following changes, among others:
Foreign mission board, Richmond, Va., J. B. Hutson, Virginia, president; home mission board, Atlanta, Ga., W. W. Landrum, Georgia, president; Sunday school board, Nashville, Tenn., E. E. Folk, president.
Among the vice presidents named on the foreign mission board is Joshua Levering of Baltimore.

DRUGS AND STEEL

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PREPAR ING TO INVESTIGATE.

CHICAGO, May 15 .- Following the present investigation of the packing industries by the federal grand jury, steps will be taken by the federal authorities to make an investigation of the drug and steel industries, with a view to determining whether the large firms in control of the bulk of those industries are not violating the anti-trust laws.

It was announced that the secret service men are now at work securing evidence to be used in connection with two new inquiries and that Attorney General Moody has practically outlined the course which the officials in charge of those prosecutions shall pursue. Whether the investigations of the steel industries and of the drug companies' business will be carried on in this city will largely depend upon the result of the present packing industries inquiry.

District Attorney Morrison has announced that within a week the hearing of all the witnesses will be completed beore the grand jury relating to the packing inquiry, and that a recess will be taker by the jurors until the testimony is sifted and systematized and the reports on every specific complaint and charge are prepared.

MURDEROUS HIGHWAYMEN

Mortally Wounded Man in Chicago Street-Three Suspects Held.

Special Dispatch to The Star. CHICAGO, May 15 .- Michael White was stabbed and mortally wounded by one of three highwaymen, who attacked him after 1 o'clock this morning at Indiana and Pine streets. The murderer stabbed White in the chest, near the heart, inflicting a wound that resulted in his death while the police of the Chicago avenue station were removing him to a hospital.

Three men were arrested in an hour by Sergt. Pearsall and Detectives McNally and Sergt. Fearsail and Detectives McNally and Abbey. A blood-stained knife was found in the possession of one of them, causing Capt. Healy to declare he believed the right man had been caught. The accused man, George Plummer, denies the accusation.

DUAL PERSONALITY. Queer Defense Put Up by George H.

Wood.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., May 15 .- That Geo. I. Wood had a dual personality and that his better nature knows nothing of any thing that may be done under the influence of the evil spell will be the defense made by Wood's attorney when he is put on trial here today for the murder of George Williams last winter. It is believed that this will be the first time this novel defense has

been offered in a murder case in the his-tory of criminology.

Williams, a storekeeper in the village of Watchung, N. J., was found shot to death in his sleigh a short distance from his home early last February. He had started from farm house some distance away, and sus-picion at once rested upon the stranger. Wood was arrested and identified as the man who had accompanied Williams and was charged with the murder. At the time of his arrest he claimed that for three days his mind had been a blank and that he remembered nothing of that period.

RACE TRACK TRAIN DITCHED Fireman Probably Fatally Injured-

Some Passengers Hurt.

NEW YORK, May 15 .- A race track train bound for Belmont Park, consisting of ten cars, was ditched this afternoon near Woodhaven Junction, Long Island. The fireman of the train is probably fatally injured. A number of passengers were hurt. The accident occurred on the Atlantic division of the Long Island railroad.

AT BAD NAUHEIM

Secretary Hay Taking a Course of Baths.

BAD NAUHEIM, May 15 .- Frank H. Maon, American consul general at Berlin, re- I think that the war tax on bank checks mains here as Secretary Hay's constant companion, relieving him of correspondence and other work while Mrs. Hay is absent in Paris. Mr. Hay took his fifteenth bath today. The course includes six more, which, however, are not taken every day. The Secretary, therefore, will remain here prob-

ably ten days longer. R. S. Reynolds Hitt, second secretary of the Berlin embassy, recently transferred as first secretary of the embassy at Rome, arrived vesterday, and Charlemagne Tower the ambassador to Germany, is expected

here Thursday. Mr. Hay, according to his present intention, will visit Berlin before leaving Ger-

BERLIN SURPRISED Paris to Send Special Envoy to Crown Prince's Wedding.

The surprising news comes to us from Paris that the French government has decided to send a special envoy to atend the wedding of the Crown Prince Frederick William to Duchess Cecilia of Mecklen-burg-Schwerin, June 6. This has been de termined upon in principle by the French cabinet, and will be further discussed at another sitting, at which the personnel of the delegation will be considered, whether it shall be of civil officials, of military, or of both civil and military officials.

BERLIN, May 15 .- The Tageblatt today

AFRICAN METHODISTS AROUSED. Wilkesbarre Dominie Suspended Theater-Goers From Communion.

Special Dispatch to The Star. WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 15 .- All members of the African Methodist Church of Scranton who attended the Williams and Walker performance of "Down in Dahomey" have been suspended from communion for three months by Rev. H. C. C. Atwood, the pastor, and threatened with dismissal from the church if the offense is ever repeated.

Rev. Atwood says that officers and memhers of the church who denied their Lord and indulged in such worldly pleasures as furnished by the performance must suffer for it, and they will be expelled from the church if they go to the theater again.

HARRISBURG WRECK VICTIMS. Three of the 34 Able to Leave Hospital for Their Homes.

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 15.-Three of the thirty-four wreck victims at the Har-

on a Variety of Topics-Pending Appointments.

President Roosevelt talked with Senator Simmons of North Carolina today about the trip he will make to the south next fall. He will go south in October, and in North Carolina will stop at Raleigh and Charlotte. Whether he will stop at other places is not yet determined.

Senator Simmons saw the President about

the vacancy on the Gettysburg battlefield commission, hoping to be able to land the place for some North Carolina man. Judge A. C. Avery of Morgantown, Judge Walter Montgomery of Raleigh, Maj. H. A. London of Pittsboro, and ex-Lieut. Gov. Steadham were among those who desired to go on the commission in place of Maj. Robins, who died recently. The President gave Senator Simmons to understand that the vacancy had been promised to Gen. Lunsford Lomax of Virginia, a clerk in the War Department. Senator Daniel saw the President and Secretary Taft Saturday, and was

Establishing Forest Reserves.

promised the place.

Senator Dubois of Idaho, and Gifford Pinchot, chief of the division of forestry, had a conference with the President today regarding the establishment of forest reserves, especially in Idaho. Senator Dubbois left with the President a long statement in which he antagonizes the position taken by his colleague, Senator Heyburn, and heartily indorses the attitude of the President in setting aside land for forest reserves. Considerable feeling has been aroused in Idaho concerning the establishbeing asserted by Senator Heyburn and others that the land so set needed for settlement. Senator Dubois con tends that no foundation exists for the feeling and that no home-seeker or home

maker is being inconvenienced in the least by the creation of the reserves.

A Number of Callers. Senator Foraker and Representative Grosvenor of Ohio were with the President about a pardon case in which General Grosvenor is interested. Senator Foraker talked with the President about some other matters, and is understood to have taken up the internal revenue collectorship of the Chillicothe district, over which there is a fight. The matter has been referred to Sec Shaw for report, but it is the belief

that D. H. Moore of Athens, the Foraker candidate, will be appointed.
Senator Cullom, who is chairman of the Senate committee on foreign relations, was a visitor at the White House during the day, but did not go into the Loomis-Bowen

Senator McCumber of North Dakota presented some friends.

Mr. Sibley on the Tariff. Representative Sibley of Pennsylvania was another of the presidential callers. The necessity for raising more revenue for government has put Mr. Sibley to thinking of what ought to be done, and he is revolving in his mind the suggestion of a maximum and minimum tariff rate, ad-

justable to the needs for more revenues and

to reciprocity arrangements with foreign

countries.
"I am going to give some thought to whether a plan of this kind would work," said Mr. Sibley. "I do not know whether it will, and have not the least idea of committing myself to it, but I am going to think it over some We must do something

will have to be put back so as to add to the revenues, and there will be some other things that will have to stand further taxa-

Asking for Bear Skins. "I just came in to tell the President goodbye before going west," said Representative Babcock "and to ask the President to give me a bear skin. The President told me his friends had made so many requests for bear skins that he would not have enough to around, and that he proposed to keep all the skins rather than feelings of some of his friends. It is really amusing at the number of good-natured re-

quests that have reached the President for Ex-Senator Chandler, who has been having some fun with the republican presidential candidates, promising each one his sup-port and letting him know that he had promised the same thing to the other, visited the President to say that his hearty support could be depended upon in the event that the President was nominated for

the presidency by the democrats three years "But I found both Foraker and Shaw with the President," said Senator Chandler, "and I could not afford to displease them by promising the President my backing. I will wait until they are not around. I don't think it will do for Vice President Fairbanks to know how often Shaw and For-

Representative Slemp, the republican pa-

aker go to see the President." A Virginia Collectorship.

tronage dispenser of Virginia, is expected in Washington in a day or two to make a recommendation as to the collectorship of customs at Newport News. Jesse W. Elliott, the Newport collector, died there a for the place. Seth V. Peck, clerk in the office of the collector of customs at Nor-folk, is in Washington, working for the place. He is a graduate in law of George Washington University, served time and has had much experience in the customs business. He has some strong backing. It is not understood that Representative Slemp has selected any one, and Mr. Peck hopes to obtain the indorsement. Mr. Peachey, an attorney at Newport News. is a candidate for the place and has the backing of George Bowden, national com-mitteeman, and John S. Wise, formerly of Virginia. Peachey is related to Mr.

by marriage. The Hackensack Post Office. Senator Kean and Representative Allen of

New Jersey called on the President with E. L. D. Hester, chairman of the Bergen county republican committee, and W. H. Mackay of Rutherford, in connection with the Hackensack postoffice. President Roosethe thirty-four wreck victims at the Harrisburg hospital were able to leave for their homes today, and the condition of several others is such that they expect to go home in a few days. Those who went away today were Samuel Best of Philadelphia and Mrs. Frank Alles and infant of Pittsburg, none of whom was seriously injured.

All of the victims, with the exception of Joseph Eberley of New York, Harold Elfret of Philadelphia, George Loeffler of Pittsburg and Mrs. Anton Peter of Cleveland, are now believed to be out of danger.

Hackensack postoffice. President Roosevel the desired to give the place to William Jeffers, a well-known employe of the Senate, but the local republicans had promised to support T. C. Cumming. After a conference with the President it was agreed that Cumming should be appointed and that Mr. Jeffers should be cared for in some other position, not yet determined upon.

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The President to Go South

TO LEAVE IN OCTOBER

Next Fall.

CONFERENCE IN REGARD TO FOREST RESERVES.

Many Callers See the Chief Executive